

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

141483.00002

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Title

METHOD AND APPARATUS SEPARATION OF
STACKS OF INTERFOLDED SHEETS

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 800 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 17]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the invention
 - Brief Summary of the invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 119) [Total Sheets 6]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 1]

- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(a))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

1. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached detailing inventor(s)
name in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(a)(2) and 1.63(b)

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-I: In duplicate, large table or
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:

- i. ☐ CD-I DM or CD-R (2 copies); or

- ii. ☐ Paper

- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Page(s) (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(i) Statement ☐ Power of
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS
Statement (IDS / PTO-1449 Citations)
13. ☐ Preliminary Art and text
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(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee		
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)		
1001	770	2001	385	utility filing fee	385
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	285	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2006	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) **(\$)** 385

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

		Extra Claims		Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	17	-20 th =	0	x 0	= 0
Independent Claims	2	-3 rd =	0	x 0	= 0
Multiple Dependent					

<u>Large Entry</u>		<u>Small Entry</u>		<u>Fee Description</u>
<u>Fee Code</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Code</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	
1202	18	2202	8	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	260	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	8	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entry, Small Entry

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	820*	1804	820*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to examination action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after examination action	
2251	110	2251	65	Extension to reply within first month	
2252	420	2252	210	Extension to reply within second month	
2253	950	2253	475	Extension to reply within third month	
2254	1,480	2254	740	Extension to reply within fourth month	
2255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension to reply within fifth month	
2401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
2402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
2403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
2451	1,510	2451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
2452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
2453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
2501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or release)	
2502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
2503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
2460	130	2460	130	Petition to the Commissioner	
2807	50	2807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g)	
2806	180	2806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Sheet	
8021	40	8021	40	Record fee on patent assignment per property (limit is number of properties)	
2809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.128(a))	
2810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.128(b))	
2801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
2802	900	2802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

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